

Welcome Neighbors and Friends!

Please take a moment to check-in using the
“Check-In For Worship” button
at [SuntreeUMC.org](https://www.suntreeumc.org) or in the Suntree Church App

For more information about Suntree UMC, contact **Ulrike Gonzalez, Coordinator of Welcome & Lay Ministries**, at the Church Office, 242-2585, or ulrikey@suntreeumc.org. Feel free to ask us about our ministries, outreach opportunities, missions, membership, spiritual growth classes, and ways to serve.

Suntree UMC is currently seeking a new Director of Children’s Ministry. If you know someone who would be excited about developing a holistic, dynamic, and comprehensive vision and strategy for creating spiritual growth for the children and families of our church, tell them to go to [SuntreeUMC.org/opportunities](https://www.suntreeumc.org/opportunities) to read the full job posting.

Prayers from our Church Community

To add a name to the prayer list, please call

Congregational Care at 255-7378.

We cannot print a person’s name without his, her, or a family member’s permission.

Emmie Allen, Millie Balint, Tyler Brown,
Donna Dossett, Barbara Ann Harvell, Dolores Harvell,
Hub Hedgecock, Melissa Jackson, B.J. Kasten, Geneva Kuhn,
Phyllis LaClair, Chuck Mosser, Barbara Romesburg, Ann & Phil
Sabelli, Anne Simons, Marti Smith, Maggie van Dyk.

Prayers for students, teachers and all those working in schools, especially those at Harbor City Elementary School and at Suntree United Methodist School (SUMS). Prayers for our service people and their families; for all our Missionaries and for our sister churches in Cuba: El Redentor and Ojo de Agua.

Sanctuary Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are dedicated in celebration of Willie Gray’s birthday and Willie & Nancy Gray’s 54th wedding anniversary

If you would like to dedicate our Sunday altar flowers fill out an envelope in the lobby and drop it, along with the suggested donation of \$25, in the boxes provided for offerings. If you are currently worshipping with us online, checks can be mailed with a notation “Altar Flowers” in the memo.

Suntree Kids needs you! We are looking for volunteers to help with our Sunday School classes. No matter your spiritual gift, there is a place for you in Children’s Ministry. We want you to love where you are serving here at SUMC! If you have questions, please contact Joel at joell@suntreeumc.org.

CONNECT & CARE

Hurricane Season is almost here! We are collecting information from our members who might need assistance before/after a storm. If you would like to be on the list to receive a phone call before an impending storm, you must fill out a 2021 Hurricane Assistance Form available in the Narthex, at the Welcome Desk (outside Dining Room/Worship Center) or in the Church Office or Congregational Care Office. A new form is required for each year. Completed forms can be returned to the Congregational Care Office.

Storm disaster volunteers help our members who need assistance with anything basic like installation/removal of storm shutters, clean-up, and debris removal to things that might need a skill set or experience in general house repairs, minor roof patching, etc. Please contact Deana in Congregational Care at 255-7378 or email her at deanad@suntreeumc.org.

Pastor & Staff Appreciation Month – SUMC’s Staff-Parish Relations Committee believes that SUMC is blessed with an amazing, Christ-honoring, skilled, and talented group of pastors and staff. We hope you agree! This month is a great time for you to show your appreciation, in your own way.

If you are interested in **Membership at Suntree UMC**, or would just like to know more about Suntree UMC, please join us at 2pm on May 23 in our Dining Room. You’ll discover ways in which you can grow spiritually and how to get more involved. You will also receive information on membership, should you wish to join our SUMC family. To RSVP, email ulrikey@suntreeumc.org or call the Church Office at 242-2585. Childcare available upon request.

SUMC Nursery Ministry is hiring part time for Sunday mornings as well as special church events, such as VBS and Journey Kids. If you love kids and would love to serve with children, please contact Joel Lusz at joell@suntreeumc.org.

GROW

THIS WEEK we will begin our study of *Unafraid* by Adam Hamilton at 7pm in the Worship Center. Are you interested in facing your fears through faith? Do you want to tackle a new challenge, or have a better perspective on life? Join us! You can register online or by calling the Church Office. Only cost is \$17 if you would like us to purchase the book for you. Questions? Email Pastor Allee at alleew@suntreeumc.org.

A men’s small group has been meeting at Nikki’s Cafe at 8am on Wednesday mornings. Are you interested in joining as they study Scripture, the Upper Room, and share in community? Contact Tony Love at tonylove19@aol.com.

Ladies! Interested in connecting with other women throughout the summer and growing in your faith? Save the date and join us this summer through Oasis for a Fiction Book Club. No registration required. No fee. Meeting dates will be May 27, June 24 and July 22. Email Pastor Allee at alleew@suntreeumc.org.

SERVE

Our mission partner for May is Suntree Youth Missions! Our youth are gearing up for a local missions week in June and we are excited to support them! You can give above and beyond your regular giving to Suntree at our missions boxes, located near the entrance doors to both worship spaces, or online by selecting “Youth Missions” for additional giving.

We need volunteers to serve meals at Daily Bread from 10:30am-12:30pm this Wednesday, May 5. Learn more and sign up on our website under [SuntreeUMC.org/community](https://www.suntreeumc.org/community).

Looking for Guest Services Servants - We are tentatively planning for when we resume our pre-COVID activities, and we need you! If you are interested in serving on the Guest Services team, which includes Sunday morning ushers, greeters, hospitality, and golf cart drivers, please email ulrikey@suntreeumc.org or call the Church Office at 242-2585.

GIVE

Because of your generosity 23 young adults gathered a few weeks ago to enjoy a beautiful evening, a bonfire, and share in community together on our front lawn.

Beginning May 10, we invite you to join us in Project 313, which is an intentional opportunity to pray for our church at 3:13 everyday. Philippians 3:13 is our theme verse for the Finish Strong Debt Reduction Campaign, and we know that we cannot “Finish Strong!” without the prayers of our community. You will be given a prayer liturgy on the Suntree App everyday, and you can “opt into” reminders at 3:13pm. You can also just set a reminder on your phone or fridge and pray along with us, asking God, “What do you want to do through me, and the ministry of Suntree?” Thank you for joining us in prayer as we commit to Finishing Strong!

SUMC Permanent Endowment Fund. The Fund presently is divided into nine categories for which you may designate gifts: Adult Ministries, Capital Improvements, Children’s Ministries, Missions, Cuba Mission, Music Worship & the Arts, Scholarships for College and Seminary, Youth Ministries, and General. For more information, contact Richard Turner (321-259-1646; seastar5@cfl.rr.com), chair of the SUMC Permanent Endowment and Planned Giving Ministry Committee.

THIS WEEK AT SUNTREE

Monday 5/3

6:00pm LOFT (High School Ministry) - The Loft (Bldg. A)
7:00pm Al-Anon Family Group - Worship Center (Bldg. A)
7:00pm AA - Rm. 103/104 (Bldg. A)

Tuesday 5/4

7:30am Tuesday Morning Early Risers - Zoom

Wednesday 5/5

6:00pm EDGE (Middle School Ministry) - The Loft (Bldg. A)
7:00pm Unafraid Book Study - Worship Center (Bldg. A)

Thursday 5/6

8:00am Open Prayer Hours - Sanctuary
6:00pm Glory Ringers - Choir Room
7:00pm AA - 103/104 (Bldg. A)

Friday 5/7

7:00p AA - Rm. 103/104 (Bldg. A)
7:00pm Al-Anon - Worship Center (Bldg. A)

Saturday 5/8

8:30am Creation Care Ministry - Community Garden Plot
6:00pm AA - Dining Room (Bldg. A)

Sunday School Classes

10:45am Student Sunday School (6th – 12th grade) - Zoom
11:00am Faith & Fellowship - 103/104 (Bldg. A)

WORSHIP

Today in worship we continue in our Finish Strong Debt Reduction Campaign series. While we are talking about dollars and cents related to the mortgage, we are also hearing how God has been at work in the ministry of Suntree UMC and how we can move forward in faith as a church family. Today we will explore Matthew 6:7-13 and Psalm 143 as we think about God’s will, Revealed in Prayer. Prayer is the main way that we communicate our requests to God, and it is also the space where God can communicate God’s will to us. As a church, and as individuals, we want to be saturated in prayer to know where God is leading us as we seek to share God’s love with the world.

Traditional Worship 9:30 & 11:00

*Traditional worship begins for many at the prelude.
Please be sensitive to those around you preparing for worship.*

Pre-Service Music Kathy Westrip

Prelude *Prelude and Meditation* by Theodore Dubois Tom Taylor

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit *Create in Me, O God* by Johannes Brahms

***Responsive Call to Worship** Joan McMahon

***Opening Hymn** *Take Time to Be Holy* #395

Pastoral Prayer Staci Plonsky

Offertory *The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psalm 23)* Vocal Ensemble
by Howard Goodall

***Presentation of the Offering** *Doxology* #94

Message *Revealed in Prayer* Rev. Allee Willcox
Matthew 6:7-13 & Psalm 143

Holy Communion Rev. Allee Willcox

Guided Prayer Rev. Allee Willcox

***Closing Hymn** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* #496

***Benediction** Rev. Allee Willcox

****Postlude** *Dialogues* by Jean Langlais Tom Taylor

Dr. Robert E. Lamb, Director of Traditional Music | **Tom Taylor**, Principal Organist

Vocal Ensemble: Joan McMahon, Fay Hammond, Boyd Lease, Robert Lamb

*Please stand if you are able. **The congregation is invited to remain for the Postlude

The Gathering 9:30

Rev. Annette Stiles Pendergrass

Worship Leader: Rev. Mike Mayes

Message: *Revealed in Prayer* - Matthew 6:7-13 & Psalm 143

Music: *Great Things, Promise Keeper, Goodness of God, New Wine*

YOUTH & CHILDREN

Elementary Ministry is available during 9:30 worship. This is for Kindergarten through 5th grade. We will be meeting as one group in the large Suntree Kids space. Register your child, just as you register yourself, on our church webpage as space is limited due to COVID guidelines. Look for more info on our Facebook page and email.

Nursery Ministry is available at both services for ages birth to VPK. You will need to register your child, just as you register yourself as space is limited due to COVID guidelines.

High school students! We have 3 more LOFTs to wrap up our school year...and LOFT is awesome! So...“FINISH STRONG” with us from 6 - 7:30pm on Monday nights upstairs in the LOFT as we close out this school year and head into summer! You’ll be totally stoked if you do! Seriously.

Middle Schoolers, 6th-8th, join us from 6-7:30pm every Wednesday for EDGE!!!! EDGE is our Middle School Ministry and we’re having a blast each week playing games, learning awesome stuff, and hanging out with friends! Sometimes we’re outside, sometimes we’re in the LOFT but we’re social distancing and remember to bring your mask. Parents and Students, please contact Michelle for more info or any questions you have at michelleg@suntreeumc.org or 242-2585.

The Narnians Will host the POSTPONED campfire and s’mores from 7-8pm TONIGHT, Rain or Shine. Join us for a Campfire and Smores TONIGHT from 7-8pm to celebrate the completion of another Chronicles of Narnia Book. ALL STUDENTS are invited!!!! The rain plan is to move to the LOFT. See you Tonight!!!!

Calling All Students! SUNDAY SCHOOL is RETURNING! At 11am on Sunday, May 16, in the LOFT, SUNDAY SCHOOL will return!!!! Parents and Students, please contact Michelle for more info or any questions you have at michelleg@suntreeumc.org or 242-2585.

PASTORS:

Annette Stiles Pendergrass Senior Pastor

Allee Willcox Associate Pastor

Dr. Joel Lusz Pastor of Student and Family Ministries

Steve Schantz Visitation Pastor

Mike Mayes Pastor of Worship Arts

Worship Options:

The Gathering 9:30* | Traditional 9:30 & 11:00*

Want your announcement in the bulletin? To place an announcement of your committee, circle, event or other church meeting or activity in our Sunday bulletin, email the information to bulletin@suntreeumc.org. Information needs to be sent by noon Tuesdays, and announcements may be edited for space.

Office Hours:

M – Th 9:00am – 4pm, Friday – Closed
Church building is open for all regular activities on Fridays

WiFi Connection:

Network: Suntree-Guest
Password: SuntreeGuest

After hours Pastor on Call – 321-272-7602 (for emergencies only)



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